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1. AMBASSADOR BRUCE INFORMED SYG LUNS ON JUNE 9 OF U.S. INTENTION TO TABLE MBFR OPTION III AS THE FIRST ITEM OF BUSINESS AT THE REGULAR NAC MEETING SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 11. HE ADVISED LUNS OF THE U.S. VIEWS ON THE HANDLING OF MBFR OPTION III IN NATO FORA PER REFTELS A AND B. LUNS WELCOMED THE U.S. INITIATIVE AND AGREED WITH BRUCE THAT THE SPC SHOULD BE THE FOCUS FOR OPTION III CONSULTATION.

2. AFTER THE MEETING WITH LUNS, BRUCE MET WITH DEAN DE STAERCKE AND ADVISED HIM OF THE U.S. INTENTION TO INTRODUCE OPTION III. BRUCE THEN DISCUSSED U.S. VIEWS ON HOW BEST TO HANDLE OPTION III PROCEDURALLY IN THE ALLIANCE. DE STAERCKE AGREED THAT THE SPC SHOULD BE THE FOCAL POINT FOR ALLIANCE DELIBERATIONS BUT FELT THE PROCEDURES FOR HANDLING OPTION III, SUCH AS THE ROLE OF THE MBFR WORKING GROUP, WOULD HAVE TO BE FURTHER DISCUSSED. DE STAERCKE PERSONALLY WELCOMED THE INTRODUCTION
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OF OPTION III, EXPRESSED HIS GRATITUDE TO THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, AND CONCURRED THAT OPTION III WARRANTED EXPEDITIOUS HANDLING BY THE COUNCIL.

3. AMBASSADOR BRUCE PLANS TO INFORM ALL OF HIS COLLEAGUES AT
THE PERMREPS LUNCH ON JUNE 10 THAT THE U.S. PLANS TO INTRODUCE
OPTION III IN THE COUNCIL ON THE FOLLOWING DAY.
BRUCE

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